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By JORDAN BEAN
THE PARTHEON
Marshall University will host 80 colleges and universities at the end of this month for the 2016 National Forensics Tournament coming to Marshall. The tournament coordinators and attendees will utilize a majority of the venues on campus from Thursday to Monday. Registration begins Thursday morning in the Memorial Student Center, the Cam Henderson Center will be used for the opening ceremony and the Fine Arts building will be in use while competitors rehearse and coaches prep for presentations. The tournament begins Thursday with quarterfinals and final rounds, which run Monday from 8:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., and end with final rounds and championships, which will occur throughout campus, as well as some larger presentation rooms. All presentations are free and open to the public.

By SHANE BIAS
THE PARTHEON
The month of April is Donate Life Month, which is a time to honor donors, donor recipients and people on the donor waiting list.

Joy Adkins, community outreach coordinator for the Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates, said more than 37,000 people in Kentucky are on the organ donor list. The number of organs needed is in need of makeovers.

Adkins said kidney transplants are needed more than other transplants because many people have high blood pressure and diabetes. Jamie Collins, business major, said he knows the importance of donating organs.

“I am an organ donor because I realize I can save someone’s life in the future,” Collins said. “By the time my organs are donated, my life is over.” Adkins said it makes sense to donate his organs to someone who could use them.

“If you have need for something anymore, you might as well give it to someone who can put it to good use,” Collins said. “There is no need to waste my organs, when it could better someone else’s life.”

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Peer mentors new to Residence Halls next semester

By MATTHEW BORSILY
The Marshall University Department of Residence Life is bringing a new academic initiative to residence halls this fall.

The residence halls will get academic resources called "peer mentors" to help students through academic challenges and struggles.

Amy Lorenz, director of academic support and residence life, said peer mentors will serve as resources and help students connect them to other academic resources on campus.

Lorenz said peer mentors have been successful in other residence halls and said this is a new plan for Marshall.

"These mentors will have a focus on helping students succeed with academic support services across campus and get them on track with their academic careers," Lorenz said.

These peer mentors will be different from residence hall advisers in some ways.

Residence hall advisers are used for academic support for students, and they will team up with other academic resources on campus to help students succeed academically.

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Catching on quickly

Marshall football's defensive struggles last season were well documented, finishing near the bottom of the NCAA in both total defense and scoring defense. If improvement is to be made, the Marshall linebacking corps will be at the center of the effort. "The intensity of the defensive unit, and especially the linebackers, has greatly increased this season, and Helm said it is a trending change from last season. "That's definitely something Coach Holliday is proud of. We've got a lot of guys back from last year who wouldn't get excited or anything, someone would make a play and walk off the field. This spring has been a lot about hustle. When he came he brought that energy back," Helm said."

Overall, Coach Holliday is pleased with the work the linebacker unit is doing, as well as the rest of the defensive unit. "Every day I think that defensive unit is coming together. They're working hard, they're a lot more upbeat, and everybody is optimistic."

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By WILL VANCE

SPORTS EDITOR

Linebackers look to shore up defense

With rising junior Roberson Walker and Evan McKeeley, who both made starts last season, being limited with minor injuries this spring, new backups and the rest of the tight end corp can continue their success on the field. The Marshall tight ends of old will soon have new members in their ranks.

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COLUMN 1

By JOCELYN GIBSON

Violence is how we keep the power struggle in check. Schick goes on to say, “The value of space placed on the lives of men over women and masculinity over femininity characterizes the content the way a society can accept, or at least not actively oppose, massive violence against women.”

Here she brings up an excellent point about the connection between structural and direct violence, showing that it is the structural violence that allows the direct violence to continue.

One local example of structural violence is something that is happening right now — direct violence would be poverty. It is most common for women in poverty to experience domestic abuse because of the high-stress situations associated with low-income families. Women who are living in poverty often do not have the resources to leave. It is unacceptable means in order to provide for their families.

This system is especially prevalent in this region because of the high levels of poverty, which could be contributing to our high incidents of breast and ovarian cancer. Because of the limited amount of job opportunities available in the region (structural violence), it is impossible for women to escape the cycle of poverty and abuse.

An international example that comes to mind is the 4-year-old Pakistani girl that was shot recently for her education.

The structural violence experienced by women who are educated will be more submission to direct violence, and of course when they do, it will be more severe. It is what is expected of them. Thus, when structural violence is applied, as should be clear from the local example, we cannot count ourselves exempt from structural violence. It is there when we notice it or not.

Structural violence is so easily disguised that it cannot be recognized without some context thought. Structural violence is deigned to exist with little detection from society.

That is the very reason it is so effective.

Women on college campuses have to be constantly aware of the violence (structural and direct) around them.

The first step in overcoming structural violence is to not act out against the violence ourselves. That would be a responses. But that means we have to have some form of control or knowledge in order to change the system.

The battle against structural violence is not a battle against the source. But that means we have to have some form of control or knowledge in order to change the system.

Myriad’s patents cover both the normal versions of the genes and rearrangements within them. The patents in question are on two human genes, BRCA1 and BRCA2, commonly referred to as the “breast cancer genes.”

We, as a society, are not opposed to the violence that is being committed against us. Therefore, it is necessary that we understand the magnitude of the issues.

It seems as if we only see violence when a tragedy, nothing will. It seems as if we only see violence when a tragedy, nothing will.

Furthermore, since Myriad’s patent monopoly harms women’s health, it is impossible to ignore the incredible amount of information our genetic makeup can provide. “The people,” as the Parthenon puts it, “is the rightful owner — the people.” We, as Americans, need to demand better.

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Immigration overhaul faces tough road in Congress

by Wayne Cavicchi and Rob Givhan

The Senate’s sweeping immigration bill, which has already cleared the House, faces a steep path to passage in the Senate. The bill, which passed the House with bipartisan support, would offer a pathway to citizenship for millions of undocumented immigrants, including those in the country illegally. Millions more will do so without documentation today.

The bill, which now moves to the Senate, faces a major showdown in the chamber on Wednesday, when the Senate is expected to vote on an amendment that would allow the bill to advance with a 60-vote supermajority, a number that the Democratic majority has said is necessary to secure passage. The amendment would also include provisions for border security, which Republicans have demanded, and a way for Congress to bypass the Senate, if necessary, and approve the bill on its own.

The Senate is expected to take up the immigration bill after a series of votes on other matters, including a measure to end the government shutdown and a bill to prevent a default on the national debt.

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By KIMBERLY SMITH

Aja Smith, Marshall University’s student body vice president, became part of that slim percentage of students who have ever received an acceptance letter from a veterinary school during their junior year of college.

Her story began when she was a young girl with a passion for helping animals. When it came time to pursue her undergraduate degree, she said she knew it had to involve becoming a veterinarian.

“My decision was completely solidified after working the entire summer with Dr. Robert Marshall, a mixed animal veterinarian, at Elk Valley Animal Clinic,” Smith said.

She worked at the clinic during the summer of 2012 to gain knowledge and experience in the field of veterinary medicine.

“I assisted Dr. Marshall on all of his large animal farm calls and soon knew that this was my absolute favorite part of the day,” Smith said.

Farm calls included everything from routine checks of cattle with hay in my hair and more than likely manure on my shoes, but always a smile on my face,” Smith said. “My goal of specializing in large animal medicine was confirmed.”

Even though this is only her junior year at Marshall, Smith said the certainty she felt in pursuing a career in veterinary medicine is what motivated her to apply to schools a year early.

“Wanted to get experienced in the application process,” Smith said. “I had hoped that I would probably get an interview, but no situations more than that.”

Out of five schools she applied to, all five schools showed interest in having her join the program. She said she received her first invitation to interview at the University of Missouri during Thanksgiving break. She made a phone call and noticed that she received an email, and when I combed it, all I saw was the subject that said ‘invitation to interview,’ Smith said. “My heart was beating so fast and in between telling my family the exciting news, all I could do was jump up and down with excitement.”

To continue to gain knowledge and experience, Smith went back to work at Elk Valley Animal Clinic over Christmas break.

While I was working at the clinic, I received another interview invitation to work at Elk Valley Animal Clinic after Christmas break. I could not believe that if I could just get one I would be happy,” Smith said.

The excitement did not end there for Smith. She continued to receive good news.

“One evening while I was watching a movie with my fiancé Timmy Holmes, I got a call from my dad,” Smith said. “He said, well, Aja looks like this is where he wants to go, he sent me the email from Marshall.”

Smith said she was really confused until it finally hit her that what he was really saying was that she had been accepted somewhere. She had been accepted into the University of Missouri’s College of Veterinary Medicine.

“If you imagined me jumping up and down when I got my first interview, you can only imagine how excited I was when I got accepted,” Smith said.

The potential dates for the other schools to notify the applicants about getting accepted was mid to late February of this year. Smith said after receiving news that she was being accepted into one program was overwhelming, and she was not at all prepared for the news she was about to receive.

“One Friday evening after finishing my volunteer hours at the Animal Hospital, I checked the online status of my application for OSU,” Smith said. “It said, ‘Congratulations, you have been accepted into the class of 2017.’”

Smith said receiving this news was shocking, but was a true testament to how God works in her life.

“I honestly did not expect to even get an interview invitation to OSU let alone be accepted because they had roughly 1,000 applicants with only 162 spots in their freshman class,” Smith said. “When I went to OSU for my interview, I fell in love with the campus and facilities, but left a little disappointed because of the high selectivity that I would have a chance to attend veterinary school there.”

After a long decision-making process, Smith said it was a no-brainer on where she would attend.

“I was going to be a Buckeye,” Smith said. “I originally was not going to apply to OSU, but my parents started encouraging me to do so.”

Smith said there are several people who helped her through this process that she could not have done it without.

“First of all, I thank God for everything he does for me and am a firm believer in the verse, Philippians 4:13,” Smith said.

She also sends a very special thank you to her family and friends.

“My fiancé, Timmy Holmes listens to every detail and struggles that I went through and patiently dealt with my crazy self during these trying months,” Smith said. “My family and friends, who sent encouraging messages, drove me to my interviews, and most importantly kept me in their prayers, mean the world to me.”

Although she had a lot of support and encouragement, Smith said there is one person that she truly could not have done this without.

“I must mention Dr. Robert Marshall,” Smith said. “He took the time to teach me so much about veterinary medicine and just life in general.”

Smith will graduate from Marshall after her first year in veterinary school, which doubles as her junior year as an undergraduate.

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